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CALIFORNIA EGG PRODUCTION

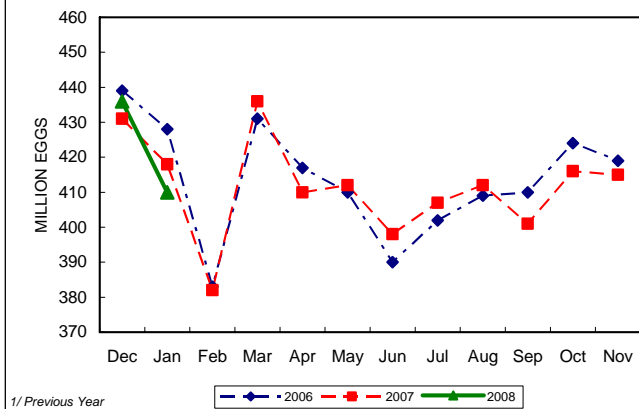
California's egg production during January totaled 410 million, a decrease of 26.0 million from December's production and 8.00 million below January 2007. The average number of layers during the month totaled 18.9 million, down 3 percent from last month and January 2007. Eggs per 100 layers during the month were 2,165 compared to 2,239 a month earlier and 2,132 in January 2007.

U.S. JANUARY EGG PRODUCTION

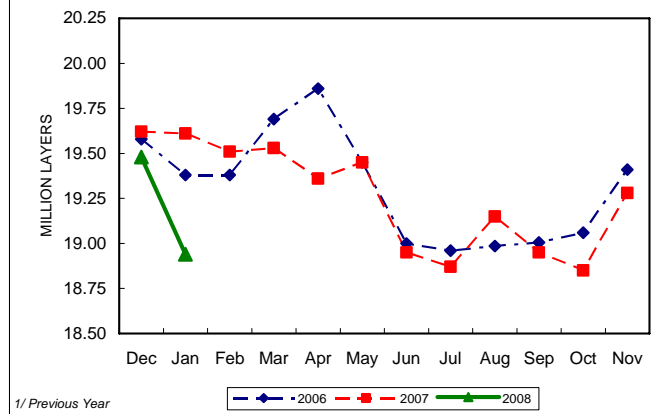
U.S. egg production totaled 7.66 billion during January 2008, down slightly from last year. Production included 6.52 billion table eggs, and 1.14 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.07 billion were broiler-type and 67.0 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during January 2008 averaged 345 million, down 1 percent from last year. January egg production per 100 layers was 2,220 eggs, up 1 percent from January 2007.

All layers in the U.S. on February 1, 2008 totaled 345 million, down 1 percent from last year. The 345 million layers consisted of 284 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 57.7 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.84 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate-of-lay per day on February 1, 2008, averaged 70.8 eggs per 100 layers, up slightly from February 1, 2007.

EGG PRODUCTION, CALIFORNIA
DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2006-2008



AVERAGE NUMBER OF LAYERS, CALIFORNIA
DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2006-2008



LAYER NUMBERS AND EGG PRODUCTION JANUARY, FORCED MOLTING AS OF FEBRUARY 1

State	Average Number of Layers on Hand		Eggs Per 100 Layers		Total Egg Production		Layers Being Molted a/		Layers With Molt Completed a/	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
	Thousands		Number		Millions		Percent		Percent	
Alabama	8,957	9,581	1,954	1,931	175	185	0.5	1.5	5.0	6.0
Arkansas	14,253	14,313	1,894	1,893	270	271	2.5	3.0	10.0	11.5
California	19,610	18,938	2,132	2,165	418	410	5.5	7.0	32.5	31.5
Georgia	19,881	19,433	2,062	2,094	410	407	2.0	1.5	15.5	13.5
Indiana	25,093	24,401	2,232	2,238	560	546	6.5	4.0	31.5	32.0
Iowa	51,784	54,395	2,169	2,250	1,123	1,224	3.5	6.0	37.0	33.5
North Carolina	11,688	12,842	2,053	2,064	240	265	0.0	0.5	9.5	7.5
Ohio	27,194	26,552	2,306	2,294	627	609	1.0	2.5	27.0	15.0
Pennsylvania	23,585	21,817	2,396	2,429	565	530	3.5	0.5	12.5	12.5
Texas	19,089	18,947	2,216	2,222	423	421	4.0	5.0	23.0	24.5
UNITED STATES	348,897	345,105	2,200	2,220	7,675	7,663	3.4	3.8	24.4	21.9

REVISED CALIFORNIA LAYERS AND EGG PRODUCTION

Month	Average Number of Layers			Eggs Per 100 Layers			Total Egg Production		
	2006	2007	<u>2007</u> <u>2006</u>	2006	2007	<u>2007</u> <u>2006</u>	2006	2007	<u>2007</u> <u>2006</u>
	Thousands		Percent	Number		Percent	Million		Percent
December 1/ January	19,576	19,615	100	2,243	2,197	98	439	431	98
January	19,393	19,610	101	2,207	2,132	97	428	418	98
February	19,377	19,512	101	1,977	1,958	99	383	382	100
March	19,693	19,526	99	2,189	2,233	102	431	436	101
April	19,860	19,355	97	2,100	2,118	101	417	410	98
May	19,447	19,148	98	2,108	2,152	102	410	412	100
June	18,997	18,946	100	2,053	2,101	102	390	398	102
July	18,957	18,869	100	2,121	2,157	102	402	407	101
August	18,986	19,146	101	2,154	2,152	100	409	412	101
September	19,006	18,945	100	2,157	2,117	98	410	401	98
October	19,060	18,853	99	2,225	2,207	99	424	416	98
November	19,405	19,281	99	2,159	2,152	100	419	415	99
Avg./Total 2/	19,313	19,234	100	2,141	2,140	100	4,962	4,938	100

1/ December of previous year.

2/ Totals may not add due to rounding.

U.S. BROILER HATCH

Broiler type chicks hatched during January 2008 totaled 822 million, up 3 percent from January 2007. Eggs in incubators totaled 675 million on February 1, 2008, up 4 percent from a year earlier.

Leading breeders placed 7.30 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during January 2008, up 4 percent from January 2007.

U.S. EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED

Egg-type chicks hatched during January 2008 totaled 40.2 million, up 9 percent from January 2007. Eggs in incubators totaled 35.5 million on February 1, 2008, down 4 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 210 thousand during January 2008, down 21 percent from January 2007.

BROILER-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, JANUARY

State	2007	2008	<u>2008</u> <u>2007</u>
	Thousands		Percent
Alabama	112,842	118,123	105
Arkansas	101,961	104,378	102
Delaware	14,425	14,870	103
Florida	4,982	5,013	101
Georgia	127,943	127,761	100
Kentucky	27,606	27,966	101
Louisiana	13,602	13,896	102
Maryland	31,121	32,983	106
Mississippi	67,149	69,781	104
North Carolina	69,015	72,808	105
Oklahoma	23,554	23,889	101
Pennsylvania	14,335	15,217	106
South Carolina	19,829	20,191	102
Texas	52,917	56,404	107
Virginia	23,122	22,550	98
California, Missouri, Tennessee, and West Virginia	71,915	72,283	101
Other States 1/	20,748	23,753	114
UNITED STATES	797,066	821,866	103

1/ Not published separately to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, JANUARY

State	2007	2008	<u>2008</u> <u>2007</u>
	Thousands		Percent
Georgia	2,291	2,357	103
Indiana	5,799	5,964	103
Iowa	6,790	7,375	109
Minnesota	1,035	849	82
Pennsylvania	4,470	4,725	106
Other States 1/	16,541	18,897	114
UNITED STATES	36,926	40,167	109

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EGGS IN INCUBATORS, FEBRUARY 1

Geographic Division	Broiler-Type			Egg-Type		
	2007	2008	<u>2008</u> <u>2007</u>	2007	2008	<u>2008</u> <u>2007</u>
	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent
North Atlantic	11,645	12,958	111	6,259	5,000	80
East North Central	9,665	12,141	126	7,441	7,087	95
West North Central	28,476	29,629	104	9,046	8,638	95
South Atlantic	241,874	249,975	103	4,012	4,251	106
South Central	332,946	345,795	104	5,324	5,616	105
West	24,542	24,138	98	4,911	4,947	101
UNITED STATES	649,148	674,636	104	36,993	35,539	96

POULTRY AND EGG PRICES

California mid-month market egg price for January 2008 was \$1.20 per dozen, 10.0 cents below the December mid-month price, but 38.0 cents above January 2007.

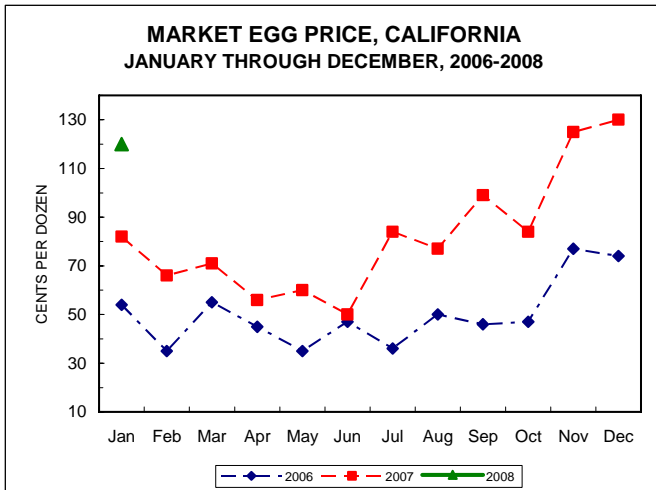
Nationally, the January market egg price, at \$1.20 per dozen, decreased 8.0 cents from December, but is 41.2 cents above January 2007. The January broiler price, at 48.0 cents per pound, is up 4.0 cents from December and 5.0 cents above a year ago. The January turkey price, at 44.8 cents per pound, is down 7.8 cents from the previous month, but up 4.0 cents from a year earlier.

POULTRY AND EGG AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED 1/

Commodity	Unit	January 2007	December 2007	January 2008
		Cents		
CALIFORNIA				
Market Eggs 2/	Doz.	82.0	130.0	120.0
UNITED STATES				
Chickens-Broilers	Lb.	43.0	44.0	48.0
Market Eggs 2/	Doz.	78.8	128.0	120.0
Turkeys 2/	Lb.	40.8	52.6	44.8

1/ The estimated prices shown in the table represent composite average prices received by producers. They are averages for all grades, classes and methods of sale of each commodity for the State and U.S. as a whole.

2/ Mid-month prices.



U.S. TURKEY HATCHERY PRODUCTION

Turkey eggs in incubators on February 1, 2008, in the United States totaled 32.5 million, up 4 percent from February 1, 2007. Eggs in incubators were up 3 percent from the January 1, 2008 total of 31.6 million eggs. Regional changes from the previous year were: East North Central down 2 percent, West North Central up 1 percent, North and South Atlantic up 15 percent, and South Central and West down 8 percent.

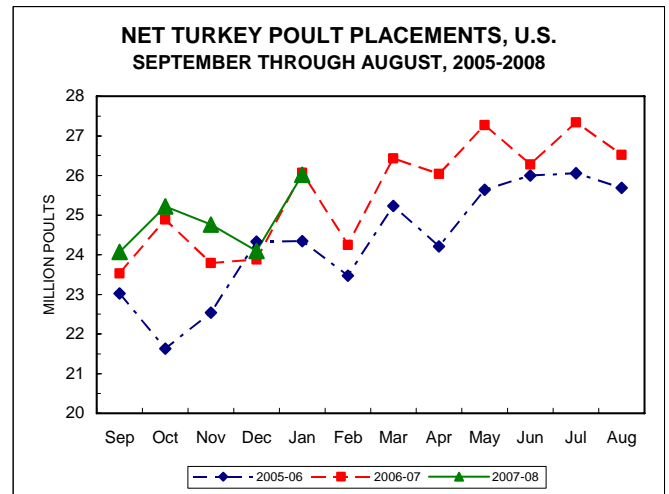
Year Turkey poults hatched during January 2008, in the United States totaled 27.0 million, up 3 percent from January 2007. Poults hatched were up 8 percent from the December 2007 total of 24.9 million poults. Regional changes from the previous year were: East North Central down 5 percent, West North Central up 2 percent, North and South Atlantic up 11 percent, and South Central and West down 6 percent.

The 26.0 million net poults placed during January 2008 in the United States were down slightly from the number placed during the same month a year earlier. Net placements were up 8 percent from the December 2007 total of 24.1 million.

ALL TURKEYS 1/

Geographic Division	Eggs in Incubators Feb. 1		2008 2007	Eggs Hatched During Jan.		2008 2007
	2007	2008		2007	2008	
	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent
E N Central	4,890	4,812	98	4,147	3,932	95
W N Central	11,903	12,005	101	10,097	10,272	102
N & S Atlantic	10,192	11,761	115	8,628	9,591	111
S Central & West	4,288	3,924	92	3,429	3,233	94
U.S.	31,273	32,502	104	26,301	27,028	103

1/ Regions (No. & So. Atlantic and So. Central & West) combined to avoid disclosure of individual operations.



NET U.S. TURKEY POULT PLACEMENTS 1/

Month	Total All Breeds		2006-07 2005-06	Cumulative Total		2006-07 2005-06
	2005-06	2006-07		2005-06	2006-07	
	Thousands	Thousands	Percent	Thousands	Thousands	Percent
Sept.	23,534	24,073	102	23,534	24,073	102
Oct.	24,891	25,217	101	48,425	49,290	102
Nov.	23,792	24,755	104	72,217	74,045	103
Dec.	23,879	24,096	101	96,096	98,141	102
Jan.	26,068	26,018	100	122,164	124,159	102
Feb.	24,249			146,413		
Mar.	26,433			172,846		
Apr.	26,040			198,886		
May	27,271			226,157		
June	26,277			252,434		
July	27,343			279,777		
Aug.	26,523			306,300		

1/ Excludes exported poults.

PACIFIC COAST AND UNITED STATES COLD STORAGE

Commodity	Unit	January 31, 2007	December 31, 2007	January 31, 2008	<u>Jan. 2008</u> Jan. 2007	<u>Jan. 2007</u> Dec. 2007
		Thousands			Percent	
PACIFIC COAST						
Turkeys	Lbs.	19,239	21,892	23,979	125	110
Chickens	Lbs.	34,600	30,380	36,554	106	120
Ducks	Lbs.	6	896	822	13,700	92
Total Frozen Poultry Supplies	Lbs.	53,845	53,168	61,355	114	115
UNITED STATES						
Turkeys	Lbs.	293,379	260,594	344,906	118	132
Chickens	Lbs.	678,467	741,145	766,063	113	103
Ducks	Lbs.	4,770	5,521	5,185	109	94
Total Frozen Poultry Supplies	Lbs.	976,616	1,007,260	1,116,154	114	111
Eggs, Frozen	Lbs.	17,207	14,652	14,018	81	96

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